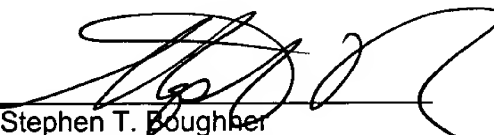


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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please change the title as follows:

--SURFACE LIGHT SOURCE DEVICE OF SIDE LIGHT TYPE--.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please CANCEL claims 1-3 and 8.

Please ADD the following claim:

11. (NEW) A surface light source device of side light type according to claim 10, wherein said light diffusible surface is a rough surface.